



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Appl. No. : 09/529,391  
Applicant : Jeffrey S. Haggard et al.  
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Examiner : Yao, S.  
Confirmation No. : 7035  
Docket No. : 0818.0014C  
Customer No. : 27896  
Title : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR IN-LINE  
SPLITTING OF PLURAL COMPONENT FIBERS  
AND FORMATION OF NONWOVEN FABRICS

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

The following two-month extension of time is requested extending the time period for responding to the Office Action dated February 26, 2004, from May 26, 2004 to June 26, 2004; the extension fee is:

☒ \$55.00      ☐ \$110.00

- ☒ An extension fee in the amount of \$55.00 is enclosed.
- ☐ The shortened statutory period has been reset by an Advisory Action dated
- ☐ Charge \$      to Deposit Account No. 05-0460.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 05-0460. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

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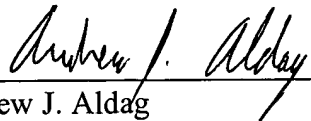
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Dated: June 24, 2004

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